CLIL Module Plan

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Personal and social-cultural preconditions of all people involved

This Unit will be proposed to the 5th class of the Primary School of Fiavé. There are thirteen students in the class, ten girls and three boys. Eleven students speak Italian as their mother-tongue while two of them speak Arabic as their first language. In the class there is a student with special educational needs and four students with specific learning disabilities. They will be guaranteed more time to carry out every activity and every text will be read aloud for them by the teacher or their classmates in order to simplify comprehension. For this reason, most activities will be developed in groups, a strategy which students are accustomed to. Moreover, every activity will be characterized by visual support. Students have been studying Music and Physical Education in CLIL Methodology since their first school year (in the first and second year these subjects were carried out in German while from the third year on in English). This year they have 5 hours of English and CLIL lessons per week. Students have not an equal English level. Nevertheless, the average CEFR LEVEL is A1.

Students' prior
knowledge, skills,
competencies

Subject

Students have already been introduced to the description of a natural environment. Indeed, they recognize the existence of the four elements and, specifically, the roll carried out by the plant kingdom. Students have to know what is an acrostic poem and a tagul. Students already know some problems connected to the environment and some sustainable solutions.

Language

Students have to know the names of natural elements (water, soil, air, tree, rain, river, lake, leaf, roots); to know basic vocabulary to describe a natural landscape; to know the form "there is/there are..."; to be able to conjugate verbs in the present simple; to know the basic sentence structure (S-V-O).

Timetable fit	Module	Length Length 7 lessons of 50 minutes each

Description of teaching and learning strategies

During the module the teacher will propose different activities: brainstorming, group debate, group and peer work, individual work, task-based learning, cooperative learning activities, learning races, learning by doing (experiments, creations of handcraft), videos on Youtube, exposition time where students can expose their works to their classmates. Thanks to these activities, students will be given the opportunity to improve the four language skills (speaking, listening, reading and writing). Moreover, scaffolding will be promoted.

Overall Module Plan

Unit: 1

HUMAN ACTION ON EARTH

Unit length: 2 lessons (50 minutes each)

Lesson 1

HUMAN ACTION ON EARTH (part 1)

Lesson 2

HUMAN ACTION ON EARTH (part 2)

Unit: 2

THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES

Unit length: 3 lessons of 50 minutes each

Lesson 1

THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES (part 1)

Lesson 2

THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES (part 2)

Lesson 3

THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES (part 3)

Unit: 3

OUR GREEN ACTION

Unit length: 2 lessons of 50 minutes each

Lesson 1

OUR GREEN ACTIONS (part 1)

Lesson 2

OUR GREEN ACTIONS (part 2)

Unit number	1	Lesson number	1	Title	HUMAN ACTION ON EARTH (part 1)
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Activit	Timing	Learning	Activity Procedure	Language	Interaction	Materials	Assessment
		Outcomes					

20 Skills Students will The teacher shows the pupils the video ■ Whole The teacher 1 Video "Dr. Seuss' The be able to "Dr. Seuss' The Lorax How bad can I class observes the minutes Lorax "How bad can I S W R understand the be?" to introduce the main topic of the L ☐ Group students' be?" (see link: link) unit. After watching the video, the work level of consequences Key vocabulary of human teacher asks students their opinion □ Pair participation As students still do not in this about it. work action on the know the specific terms environment. activity, their related to the ability to Individual consequences of human remember work action on the environment. and they can use L1 to refer to understand possible prior knowledge. relevant The teacher introduces the information specific vocabulary orally from the during the discussion. video and (clean/dirty; deforestation; writes down soil erosion; chemical the ideas waste; loss oh habitat presented by everyone Communicative (maybe structures she/he also "What happens in the records their video?" "What does the speeches). man do?" "What are the consequence of human action?"

2 30 Skills The teacher Students will Children are divided into groups and ☐ Whole • U1 L1 ALL1.pdf • U1 L1 ALL2.pdf learn the they are given two worksheets: the first class observes the minutes L S W R specific has a blank diagram, while the second Group students' Scissors, alue vocabulary is a picture dictionary with causes and work level of Key vocabulary related to the effects of human action on the □ Pair participation Smog pollution, in this environment (see U1 L1 ALL1). Their work consequences deforestation, factories, of human task is to cut the picture dictionary out activity and livestock industries, by following the lines and place them evaluates action on the Individual chemical waste, loss of environment into the blank diagram, reflecting on the final work fresh water, loss of clean and will the cause-effect of certain actions. The group work. air, loss of habitats, soil understand the teacher has the solution diagram at erosion scientific her/his disposal (see U1 L1 ALL2). At the end of the task every group will consequences Communicative of it. compare is own answers with the other structures ones. Cut out the pictures. Look at the pictures and read their name. Place the pictures in the right square onto the diagram.

Unit number 1 Lesson number 2 Title HUMAN ACTION ON EARTH (part 2)

Activity	Timing	Learning Outcomes	Activity Procedure	Language	Interaction	Materials	Assessment
1	30 minutes	Children will learn to expose their work to their classmates and will be able to make a comparison.	In order to remember the content of the previous lesson, students are divided into pairs. Everyone is given a white A4 sheet, divided into two parts: "BEFORE" and "AFTER" (see U1_L2_ALL1). On the left they have to draw how the forest was before human actions, on the right how it was transformed negatively at the end of the game. When they have finished, they must describe their work to their classmate. At the end of the task the teacher asks if someone wants to expose his/her work to the whole class.	Key vocabulary green grass, trees, animals, clean water, dirty water, colours, dark Communicative structures Each of you has got a white paper. On the left side, draw how the forest is before human action. On the right side, draw how the forest is after human action. When you have finished, describe your work to your classmate.	□ Whole class □ Group work ■ Pair work □ Individual work	U1_L2_ALL1.pdf U1_L2_ALL2.pdf Pencil, rubber, colored pencils, felt-tip pen	The teacher observes how students manage to expose orally their work and if there are some difficulties with the vocabulary needed. She/he takes notes about every student's performance (see U1_L2_ALL2).

2	10 minutes	Children will be able to work in group, to express their personal ideas, to listen to others' opinion.	Children are divided into groups. Every group receives a fill in the gap exercise with the lyrics to the song "The Habitat Song" and skims the text. They first try to guess in groups where the missing words go and then they check their answers by listening to the song twice (see U1_L2_ALL3).	Key vocabulary Habitat, ocean, sea, river, forest, bear, rabbits, fish, world, foxes, oxygen, dump, trash, bad habits, love Communicative structures Read the test. Try to guess where the words go. Listen to the song to check your answers.	□ Whole class ■ Group work □ Pair work □ Individual work	• U1_L2_ALL3.pdf Pen The Habitat Song on Youtube (see link: link)	The teacher observes how children work in groups, if they write the names correctly on the sheet and checks everyone's participation in the conversation.
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3	10 minutes	Students will be able to self-assess their understanding about the topic.	The teacher leaves a "question box" on his/her desk: every child can write down questions about anything they haven't understood or would like to know more of.	Key vocabulary I like, I don't like, I don't understand why/how Communicative structures Write down on a piece of paper any doubts or questions. Put them in the question box.	□ Whole class □ Group work □ Pair work □ Individual work	Question box, pieces of paper, pen	The teacher self-assesses his/her own work thanks to the students' questions or comment in the question box and, moreover, she/he can notice possible problems of his/her students.
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Unit number 2 Lesson number 1 Title THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES (part 1)

Activity	Timing	Learning Outcomes	Activity Procedure	Language	Interaction	Materials	Assessment
1	10 minutes	Children will check their knowledge about trees and their functions. Children will be able to use terms learnt in the first lesson. Children will learn new vocabulary about trees and their functions.	This lesson takes place in the classroom. The teacher writes on the blackboard the word "TREE" and asks pupils: "Are trees important?", "Why are they important?". She/He writes down pupils' answers. If someone says a word in Italian, teacher writes it in English. Words will be left on the blackboard so that children can use them for the next activity.	Key vocabulary Tree, shades, habitat of animal, produce oxygen Communicative structures "Are trees important?", "Why are they important?"	■ Whole class □ Group work □ Pair work □ Individual work	Blackboard, liquid chalk pens	Through this activity, the teacher can check the students' knowledge about trees and their functions. Teacher observes every student's level of interaction.

2	20 minutes	Children will learn new specific terms related to the functions of trees.	The teacher encourages learners to pull out a paper strip from a mystery box positioned onto a desk. A specific expression related to the topic is written on every strip (examples: provide food, keep the air clean and cool etc.). Every child reads aloud his/her expression and the teacher helps them by drilling the correct pronunciation. Then, the teacher reads the text "Trees are the heart of our planet" (see U2_L1_ALL1) aloud. When children hear their expression being read, they must stand up.	Key vocabulary Give us food, keep the air clean and cool, produce about 30% of the oxygen, clean toxic emissions, reduce costs of using air conditioning, stop erosion, stop rainwater from running off the land, give shelter, give beauty, give homes Communicative structures Pick up a paper strip from the mystery box. Read it aloud. Now I am going to read the test. When you listen the expression of your strip, stand up.	■ Whole class □ Group work □ Pair work ■ Individual work	U2_L1_ALL1.pdf Mystery box, paper strips	The teacher can check the listening competence of every student by seeing if he/she stands up when hearing her/his expression.
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3 20 Children will be Skills The teacher Children are divided into groups. ☐ Whole • U2 L1 ALL1.pdf able to recognize class observes if minutes Every group is given a written copy White paper, L S R W on the test read in the second Group students written highlighters expressions after activity (U2 L1 ALL1). They are work remember Key vocabulary listening to their asked to highlight the functions □ Pair the Give us food, keep the air carried out by trees. Then every pronunciation work expression clean and cool, produce student copies on a white paper the twice (first by just read about 30% of the oxygen, mind-map previously done on the aloud and if their classmates Individual clean toxic emissions. blackboard and adds the and later by the they manage work reduce costs of using air teacher). expressions underlined in the test. to find them conditioning, stop erosion, into the test. In the test there are some words in stop rainwater from running bold whose meaning is explained in off the land, give shelter, the glossary. give beauty, give homes (and personal ideas emerged in activity no.1) Communicative structures Read together the test. Highlight the functions of the tree. Copy the mindmap on the blackboard on a white paper. Add the functions found in the test.

Unit number 2 Lesson number 2 Title THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES (part 2)

Activity	Timing	Learning Outcomes	Activity Procedure	Language	Interaction	Materials	Assessment
1	30 minutes	Children will be able to	Children are still in groups, every group is given the material needed. The	Skills	☐ Whole class	• U2_L2_ALL1.pdf • U2_L2_ALL2.pdf	The teacher checks if
		follow the	teacher orally explains step by step what	L S R W	■ Group	some topsoil, a	students
		teacher's instructions to carry on the experiment. Through the experiment, children will understand how important trees are to prevent soil erosion. Children will learn to work in group correctly.	they must do and follows up by giving them written instructions (see U2_L2_ALL1). Every group carries out the experiment. After the fourth step students will see how water will partially remain on the tree crowns and the soil will remain in place because the roots of the trees keep it in place and it isn't flooded by the water, which in nature would be absorbed by the roots. After the ninth step, children will experience soil erosion because there are no trees left to absorb the water and keep the soil in place with their roots. (To see an example of the experiment look at U2_L2_ALL2). At the end, every group shares what they observed and the teacher elicits that one of the main functions of trees is to absorb the water	Key vocabulary Topsoil, water, glass, ice cream stick, pour, tinfoil, toothpick, creep paper, tree crown, hill	work Pair work Individual work	toothpick, a piece of tinfoil, some ice cream sticks, some green crepe paper, a glass full of water.	understand his/her instructions and if they do it correctly. Then she/he observes if everyone participates actively in the experiment. She/he takes notes of whom tries to explain the reason why soil first
			and keep the soil in place to prevent soil erosion.				remains in place and

Communicative	later no
structures	
Try to do this experiment.	
Glue the green crepe	
paper onto ice cream sticks	
to create tree crowns. Lay	
a piece of tinfoil onto the	
table. Put the topsoil on the	
tinfoil to create a hill. Place	
some of your trees on this	
hill. What do you thinks	
that happens by pouring	
some water onto the trees?	
Pour 1/2 of the water onto	
the trees. What happens?	
Why does the soil remain	
in place? Write or draw it	
down. Now take your trees	
out of the soil. Pour the	
water that is left onto your	
hill. Observe what happens	
now. Write or draw it down.	
Why does soil erode?	

2	20 minutes	Children will follow the instructions of the teacher to create their own acrostic poem on the word "tree". Every child invents and writes an acrostic poem with the world "TREE" on a sheet of paper shaped as a leaf; students take turn reading their poem and stick it onto a cardboard tree. (To see an example of this activity look at U2_L2_ALL3)	acrostic poem with the world "TREE" on a sheet of paper shaped as a leaf; students take turn reading their poem and stick it onto a cardboard tree. (To see an example of this activity look at	Skills	☐ Whole class ☐ Group work ☐ Pair work ■	• U2_L2_ALL3.pdf White paper, tree- shaped poster, felt-tip pens	The teacher checks if every student understands his/her instructions
				Key vocabulary Vocabulary on tree and its function already learnt			
			Communicative structures On this leaf you have to write a message related to tree. For every letter you have to write a word.	Individual work		and if they are doing it correctly.	

Unit number 2 Lesson number 3 Title THE IMPORTANCE OF TREES (part 3)

Activity	Timing	Learning Outcomes	Activity Procedure	Language	Interaction	Materials	Assessment
1	20 minutes	Children will solidify language and understanding of the parts of the tree. Children will make decisions in groups about what to write into their own tagul. Children will be able to speak about the functions of trees with the language acquired in the previous lessons. Children will be able to interact in a group.	Children are divided in groups of 3. Every group creates their own Tagul using the key words learnt during the previous lessons (revising-speaking) related to the topic "trees". (To see an example of this activity look at U2_L3_ALL1).	Key vocabulary Crown, erosion, soil, water, clean, dirty, deforestation etc. Communicative structures Now I give you a white paper. On this white paper you have to write down every word connected to trees. You have to write down in a peculiar way. Indeed, your test must have a natural shape.	□ Whole class ■ Group work □ Pair work □ Individual work	• U2_L3_ALL1.pdf White paper, felt-tip pens, pencil, pens	The teacher can check the students' current knowledge about trees and their functions. The teacher observes every student's leve of interaction.
2	20 minutes	Children will solidify language related to the functions of	The teacher gives every student 2 sheets: one with 6 pictures (see U2 L3 ALL2) and the	Skills	☐ Whole class	U1_L2_ALL2.pdfU2_L3_ALL2.pdfU2_L3_ALL3.pdf	During the activity, the teacher walks

trees. Children will reflect on the functions carried out by trees. Children will answer simple questions.

other with a list of questions (see U2 L3 ALL3) about the functions of trees in order to refresh vocabulary and concepts. The questions are built in a scaffolding order, from a yes/no question to an open question. Looking at the pictures, every student has to think how to answer them individually, then children will be divided again in groups of 3 to compare orally their answers. At the end, every group will share in front of the class their ideas.

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Provide food, offer a home, help protect animals' habitats, stop smog pollution, clean the air, absorb smog in the air, photosynthesis, produce oxygen, absorb carbon dioxide, keep the water clean, give animals' food, give animals' a house, give people wood, keep air cool, prevent soil erosion

Communicative structures

Now I give you one sheets: one with pictures and one with questions. First, try to answer the questions individually. Look at the pictures to remember the vocabulary and the functions of trees. When you have finished, compare your answers with the ones of two classmates.

■ Group Pen, pencil

classroom and monitors the groups while taking notes and completing his/her task report about speaking skills. The task type is speaking and the criteria he/she wants to assess are fluency, pronunciation, and vocab accuracy (see U1 L2 ALL2). The teacher can ask questions and support thinking processes of students.

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work □ Pair work Individual work

3	10 minutes	Children will be able to self-assess their knowledge and work.	To conclude, the teacher gives every child a rubric to self-assess the work done and his/her own knowledge and competencies (see U2_L3_ALL4).	Skills L S R W Key vocabulary I can, I can't, I was good at, I was excellent at, I help, It helped me, I liked, I wasn't so good at, I didn't like Communicative structures	☐ Whole class ☐ Group work ☐ Pair work ☐ Individual work	• U2_L3_ALL4.pdf Pen, pencil	The teacher evaluates the students' ability of self-assessing his/her own competence and knowledge.
				Now I give you a self- assessing paper. Read every sentence and put a cross on the right column.			

Unit number 3 Lesson number 1 Title OUR GREEN ACTIONS (part 1)

Activity	Timing	Learning Outcomes	Activity Procedure	Language	Interaction	Materials	Assessment
1	15 minutes	Children will learn new vocabulary related with planting a seed and its growth.	The teacher begins the storytelling of "The story of Wangari Maathai" by using a poster on which the characters will be moved throughout the scenes. At the end of the storytelling session, the teacher leads a conversation with children about the content of the story.	Key vocabulary Fields, make a hole, plant a seed, soil, grow, under the shades of trees, cut down, build factories, become e desert, burn wood, poor, hungry, plant a tree Communicative structures Sit down in a circle. I am going to tell you The story of Wangari Maathai.	■ Whole class □ Group work □ Pair work □ Individual work	Video of storytelling (see link: link)	The teacher observes if children are listening to him/her while telling the story. Then, she/he checks their comprehension of the story.

2 35 Skills Children will The teacher tells the children they can ☐ Whole • U3 L1 ALL1.pdf The teacher be able to follow Wangari Maathai's actions by class checks if minutes A seed and a vase per follow S R W planting a seed. The children are ■ Group students group, some topsoil, a instruction. divided into groups and they are work understand glass of water. Key vocabulary Children will provided with the required material. The □ Pair his/her Vase, seed, topsoil, make understand teacher orally explains step by step work instructions a hole, place, cover, press, what they must do and follows up by and if they do it the water the soil giving them written instructions (see correctly. Then imperative Individual form. U3 L1 ALL1). Every group carries out she/he work Communicative Children will the experiment. After the experiment, observes if structures improve the teacher explains that the children everyone Take the vase and fill it will have to take care of these plants participates sensorv with topsoil. In the middle motor skills. during the year and asks them to actively in the of the vase make a hole decide within their group to decide what experiment. deep enough to host our they need to do and how to divide the seed. Place the seed tasks. inside the hole. Cover the seed with more topsoil. Slightly press the soil down. Water the soil by gently pouring water in the glass.

Unit number 2 Title OUR GREEN ACTIONS (part 2)

Activity	Timing	Learning Outcomes	Activity Procedure	Language	Interaction	Materials	Assessment
1	15 minutes	Children will learn the meaning of the verb "should" and its use. Children will think and express their ideas about what actions they can do to take care of the environment.	The students return to their group to discuss and find an answer to the following question: "What everyday actions should we do to help our planet?". They must answer using the verb "should" to give advice; the teacher gives an example, saying "We should take care of the animals", "We should plant more trees" etc. When they have finished discussing, the teacher shows 9 everyday actions on the IWB and adds any additional advice the children have thought of. 9 ways to help the Earth: 1. Plant a tree 2. Pick up trash 3. Recycle 4. Walk, cycle, or use public transport 5. Do not waste paper 6. Buy recycled objects and materials (e.g. recycled paper notebooks) 7. Conserve water 8. Turn the lights off 9. Use reusable Tupperware and bags	Key vocabulary We should; plant a tree, pick up trash, recycle, walk, cycle, use public transport, do not waste paper, buy recycled objects, conserve water, turn the lights off, use reusable bag, use reusable Tupperware	□ Whole class ■ Group work □ Pair work □ Individual work	• U1_L2_ALL2.pdf Papers, IWB	The teacher observes how students manage to express orally their ideas and if there are some difficulties with the vocabulary needed. She/he takes notes about every student's performance (see U1_L2_ALL2).

Communicative structures

What everyday actions should we do to help our planet? In groups try to answer the question.
Answer by saying "We should..." To give you an example, you could say: "We should... take care of the animals, we should plant more trees". When you have finished, tell me your ideas. I will write them on the IWB.

□ Whole • U3

☐ Group

Pair

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work

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Individual

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Key vocabulary

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Skills

Ride a bike, plant a tree, water the plant, pick up trash etc.

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Communicative structures

Choose one way to help the Earth from the ones written on the IWB. Answer the questions related to the way you've chosen. At the end, talk with your partner about the picture. • U3 L2 ALL1.pdf

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The teacher listens to and observes students while they are working in pairs. Then she/he asks them questions in order to revise the vocabulary and the communicative structures involved in the task.

2 20 Children will apply their knowledge in order to answer the questions.
Children will describe orally the chosen picture.

Children in pairs choose one way to help the Earth from the previous activity and receive a worksheet: on the left side there is a picture representing their chosen activity (e.g. "Plant a tree") while on the right there are three statements: two are true and one is false (see some examples in U3_L2_ALL1). When they have finished the teacher will check their answers. Then they are encouraged to talk and describe their image within the pair.

15 Skills 3 Children will The teacher tells the students to think ☐ Whole • U3 L2 ALL2.pdf The teacher of a promise they want to keep in order class minutes think to a checks if A A4 white cardboard S R L students sustainable to help the planet. Children are given a W ☐ Group sheet, green acrylic white cardboard sheet and will be understand action that work paint, a paintbrush, Key vocabulary instructed to dip the palm of their hand □ Pair his/her they can felt-tip pens I will take care of the Earth: into a reusable plate with green paint work instructions carry out to I will plant trees; I will pick on it and press their hand in the middle and if they do protect the up trash etc. of the sheet while saying their promise Earth. it correctly. Individual aloud. They can then decorate their The teacher work Communicative sheet by drawing the Earth around observes if structures their handprint and by writing "I will students Dip the palm of your hand take care of the Earth" and their remember the into this green paint. Press promise (as an example look at expression your handprint on your needed and U3_L2_ALL2). sheet. Write "I will take asks them care of the Earth" and your questions promise to it. about what they are writing.